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Crime conviction rate dips in Mysuru

Home Minister discusses detection, conviction, safety of women and children

Minister Araga Jnanendra chairing a meeting at City Police Commissioner's Office in city yesterday.

Mysuru, Sept. 29 (RK,MK& BCT)- Home Minister Araga Jnanendra's Mysuru visit yesterday came in the wake of the Police facing severe criticism by Opposition party leaders including Siddharamaiah who stated in the Assembly that the Mysuru Police were doing everything except Policing.

Under fire, the Home Minister asked the Police machinery to be alert and be a terror for criminals. Appreciating the teams that strived hard to arrest all the dacoits of the Vidyaranyapuram shootout and dacoity case and also nabbing all those who were involved in the gang rape of an MBA student, the Home Minister asked the Police to ensure that the image of Mysuru is not sullied again.

Reviewing security measures at the City Police Commissioner's Office last afternoon, he said: "Conviction rate in Mysuru had dipped to 37.77 percent during 2020-21 from 44.27 percent in 2019-20. The conviction rate in 2018-19 was 25.27 percent and 2017-18 was 38.54 percent. Crime rate will come down only if punishment goes up and acts as a deterrent."

Apart from Policing, confidence-building measures must be built to instil security in the minds of women and children and the vulnerable population. "Crime detection must be speeded up so that it acts as a deterrent. Messages must be sent out that those who commit a crime will not be spared," he suggested.

Detection of crime and conviction, people-friendly Policing and the safety of women and children must be given priority, he said.

He expressed concern over the rampant abuse of drugs and the Police had booked a total of 61 cases in the last three years arresting 104 people. "Do not show any leniency to persons involved in narcotics, however influential they may be," Jnanendra told the officers.

(See CRIME on page 7)

Former CM S.M. Krishna to inaugurate Dasara-2021

First politician in 22 years to get this honour

S.M. Krishna

Bengaluru, Sept. 29 (KMS &DM)- Ending the suspense on the choice of dignitary for the inauguration of Mysuru Dasara-2021, the State Government yesterday announced that former Chief Minister S.M. Krishna will inaugurate the *Naada Habba*, which starts from Oct. 7. S.M. Krishna is the first politician in 22 years to inaugurate Dasara.

Addressing a press meet at his home-office 'Krishna' in the State Capital last evening after chairing a High Powered Dasara Meeting at Bengaluru, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said that former Chief Minister S.M. Krishna, who is also a former Union Minister and a former Governor, will inaugurate Dasara atop Chamundi Hill in Mysuru on the morning of Oct. 7 in the auspicious time between 8.15 am and 8.45 am.

The *Jumboo Savari* on Vijayadashami Day (Oct. 15) will begin by offering *puja* to Nandi Dhwaja in the Palace premises between 4.36 pm and 4.46 pm.

The procession will be held inside the Palace between 5 pm and 5.30 pm.

Maintaining that Krishna, apart from being a politician is also a statesman, Basavaraj Bommai said that the former Chief Minister has contributed a lot for the development of the State and has served the country in various capacities. As such, Krishna has been invited to inaugurate *Naada Habba* Dasara,which will be held in a simple and symbolic manner this year too due to COVID pandemic, he said.

[See also page 4]

To Our Readers

Modi *Mamata*

Turn to Page-6 for Abracadabra titled ***"TIME to know the world's most influential people."*** **—Ed**

Mysore Airport to remain as civilian airport: Pratap Simha

MP scuttles move to shift IAF Helicopter Training Centre

Mysuru, Sept. 29 (BCT)- The Mysore Airport at Mandakalli will not be handed over to Indian Air Force (IAF) to set up its Helicopter Training Centre and the Airports Authority of India (AAI) has agreed not to do so. This was disclosed by Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha who attended the Study Visit of AAI Parliamentary Committee on Estimates in Kolkata on Sept. 27.

Simha is the member of the Committee and during the proceedings, he conveyed to the AAI authorities that the Airport must remain as a civilian airport and should not be handed over to the IAF as it will hinder the development in the region.

MP Pratap Simha at the Study Visit of AAI Parliamentary Committee on Estimates to Kolkata on Sept. 27.

Speaking to the media in Bengaluru, MP Pratap Simha said that the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed during the previous Coalition Government headed by H.D. Kumaraswamy with the Ministry of Defence and the AAI stands cancelled.

"I have conveyed to the AAI officials that using Mysore Airport as a military airbase would cripple the region's future growth. The AAI has agreed to cancel the handover," he added.

(See AIRPORT on page 7)

Woman stabs pregnant daughter-in-law, ends life

Mysuru, Sept. 29 (RK&KS)- A woman committed suicide after allegedly stabbing her pregnant daughter-in-law at Bogadi on Monday midnight. While the deceased is Mahadevi (52), a retd. teacher, the injured is Vedavathi.

Six-month pregnant Vedavathi was staying with her husband Sudarshan and her first child on the first floor, while Mahadevi was staying in ground floor. At about 2 am on Monday, Vedavathi came down to drink water when Mahadevi stabbed her.

On hearing his wife's screams, Sudarshan rushed down and took her to hospital. Meanwhile, Mahadevi, depressed over the incident, reportedly committed suicide by hanging self, according to Saraswathipuram Police.

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Vocal concert on Oct. 2

Tejaswini Ramaswamy Haricharan Prithwi Vikram

Mysuru, Sept. 29- Ganabharathi has organised a vocal concert by young talents on Oct. 2 at its premises in Kuvempunagar at 6 pm.

Tejaswini S. Varthalur, Master Ramaswamy Hosamane Iyengar and Master Haricharan Hosamane will present a vocal recital.

They will be accompanied by Prithwi on violin and Vikram Bharadwaj on mridanga.

The programme is sponsored by Hari Vidyalaya, according to a press release from T. S. Venugopal, Secretary, Ganabharathi.

Bags Research Excellence Award

Dr. Umesh

Mysuru, Sept. 29- Dr. D.C. Umesha, Head, Department of Chemistry, Sarada Vilas PU College, Mysuru, was conferred with 'Research Excellence Award-2021' by Institute of Scholars for his paper titled 'Synthesis and Evaluation of Biological Activity of Nitrogen and Oxygen Containing Heterocyclic Analogues of Podophyllotoxin' published in International Journal of Chemical and Pharmaceutical Sciences. A native of Dabbeghatta in K.R. Pet taluk of Mandya district, Dr. Umesha is the son of late Chikkachar and late Seethalakshmamma.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

On entering heaven after his death, Karna was offered a lot of gold for his good deeds on earth. However, his hungry soul pined for food. Lord Indra expressed regret, reminding him that he had donated a lot of gold but never food in his lifetime in memory of his ancestors. Karna confessed to not having done so, simply because he had no knowledge of who they were. To make amends, he was permitted to return to earth for 16 days and donate food and water in their memory. The *Brahmapuran* ***dedicates the dark fortnight of the waning moon during the month of*** *Ashvin* ***(7th in the Hindu lunar calendar) to*** *pitru paksh* ***or homage to our ancestors. Yama frees all souls to visit their children and accept food they offer at the*** *shraadh* ***ceremony. In*** *Garudapuran* ***it is said:*** *Aayu: putraan yash: swarg kirti pushtim balam shriyam / Pashun soukhyam, dhanam praapnuyaat pitrupujanaat.* ***This means that when*** *shraadh* ***is performed to their satisfaction, the deceased bless their successors with longevity , progeny, fame, salvation, heaven, glory, stability, strength, prosperity, cattle, happiness, money, growth and eternal blessings.***

There are six types of *tarpan* ***— offerings.*** *Devtarpan* ***makes an offering to water, air, Surya, Agni, Moon, energy and the Gods that work selflessly for the welfare of mankind.*** *Rishitarpan* ***makes an offering to Narad, Charak, Vyas, Dadhichi, Sushrut, Vashisht, Vishwamitra, Panini and other rishis for their influences.*** *Divyamanavtarpan* ***is to thank all those who made sacrifices for the welfare of mankind such as the Pandavas, Raja Harishchandra, Janak and all historical heroes through the ages.*** *Divyapitratarpan* ***is for offerings to those forefathers who left behind great values and wealth for successors.*** *Yamtarpan* ***is for remembering God of Death and to accept the principle of birth and death.*** *Manushyapitratarpan* ***is to thank all those connected to family as relatives, teachers, friends and others. Having received so much from our chain of ancestry, a ceremony to offer gratitude is a small act indeed!***

— Radhika D. Shyam in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Oldest grapevine around for nearly 500 years !

Maribor: The Slovenian city of Maribor is home to the world's oldest grapevine still producing fruit, a resilient plant that dates back to the year 1570, when the city was facing an Ottoman invasion.

The Old Vine is the only plant in the world with its own dedicated museum, the Old Vine House, once part of the city wall. It grows on the side of this historic building and still produces an annual harvest of around 35 to 55 kg of grapes, enough to produce 15 to 35 liters of wine, which is bottled in special 2.5 deciliter bottles designed by famous artist Oskar Kogoj. Only about 100 bottles are produced every year, most of which are used as a special protocol gift. The Old Vine bears grapes of the "Žametovka" or "Modra kavčina" variety, one of the oldest domesticated noble vines in Slovenia.

The world's oldest fruit-bearing grapevine was planted in Maribor towards the end of the Middle Ages when Maribor was facing Ottoman invasion. Despite growing on the city wall at the time, it somehow managed to survive the heavy fighting that followed.

The world's rarest, most expensive wood

Tokyo: When one thinks of the rarest, most precious materials on Earth, things like diamonds, platinum, or gold probably pop into the head, but there is a special type of wood is actually more expensive than any of those?

Kynam, or "kyara" as it's known in Japan, is an extremely rare type of agarwood used in the perfume and incense industries for its complex and very strong fragrance. It is the most sought-after type of "oud", the name used in Arab peninsula to resinous wood of the aquilaria tree. A single gram of kynam can fetch over 10,000 dollars, making it the most expensive wooden on the planet and also one of the most expensive natural materials.

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Calling MBBS and BE students of Hootagalli CMC

Mysuru, Sept. 29- The Hootagalli CMC (City Municipal Council) has invited applications from eligible MBBS and BE students from SC/ST and OBC communities domiciled in Hootagalli CMC limits, for availing various benefits under 24.10 percent and 7.25 percent grant plans. Applications are also invited from specially-abled students for admission to computer training under 5 percent grant plan.

The prescribed application forms can be obtained from Hootagalli CMC Office and the last date for submission of filled-in application forms is Oct.5. For details, call Mob: 99024-30289.

Senior Citizens Award: Entries invited

Mysuru, Sept. 29- Hiriya Nagarikara Sakaala Seva Kendra Trust, in association with District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) has invited entries from eligible senior citizens aged above 60 years, for 'Sarthaka Seva Bhushana' Award.

The award aspirants must have served in any of the fields such as Social Service, Sports, Painting, Literature, Theatre, Cinema, Legal Services, Journalism etc.,

Interested elders, who have excelled in their field of activity, can submit entries along with necessary documents at Hiriya Nagarikara Sakaala Seva Kendra, No.31, 1st Floor, near RMP Colony, Adichunchanagiri road, Kuvempunagar, by Oct.26. For details, call Mob: 91416-14633; Ph: 0821-4191266; e-mail: *ksldwlunion@gmail.com*, according to a press release.

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COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	SEPTEMBER 27	SEPTEMBER 28
Day's Positive Cases	47	58
Total Positive Cases	1,77,816	1,77,874
Day's Discharges	52	54
Total Discharges	1,74,794	1,74,848
Day's Deaths	3	0
Total Deaths	2,387	2,387
Total Active Cases	635	639

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

Traffic at Millennium Circle: Some suggestions

Sir,

This has reference to the letter ***'Install Traffic Signal Light at busy Millennium Circle'*** by Dr. H.S. Sadathalikhan *(Star of Mysore* dated Aug .5). At first let me remark that the citizens of Mysuru especially those who use vehicles like cars, autorickshaws, small commercial vehicles and two-wheelers do not follow traffic rules and the Traffic Department does not strictly implement traffic laws.

Having said that let me also provide you with my experience abroad (UAE, SA and Kuwait). The road medians are extended much beyond the pedestrian crossing. The one in the photo provided shows the median passes through the pedestrian crossing. Which in my opinion is okay but should have extended at least the length of a

car-plus half.

The reason is drivers do not care for pedestrians and they think they own the road and the pedestrian has no right to cross the road. They will not wait and if the median (divider) stops before the pedestrian crossing the pedestrians are at greater risk.

It would be better if the Traffic Department puts up a speed-breaker as wide as the pedestrian crossing and zebra stripes painted; the height of the speed-breaker must be as high as the median. Vehicles will be forced to slow down and will provide a safer crossing of people.

I could have suggested cross-ing signals but with no maintenance it will be a waste of tax-payer's money and then vehicle drivers in any case will not stop at a red light. Here we do not follow any rule of law !

—George Rego

Mysuru
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Partial cancellation of train services

Mysuru, Sept. 29- South Western Railway, Mysuru Division, has decided to install Electronic In Motion Weigh Bridge at Chitradurga Station and will be taking up critical civil engineering and mechanical works from Sept. 28 to Oct. 17. The following trains will be partially cancelled and schedule stoppage of trains at Chitradurga Railway Station will also be cancelled on the dates as listed below:

Partial cancellation of trains

1. Train No. 07347 Hubballi to Chitradurga Express Special is partially cancelled between Chikjajur and Chitradurga duly short terminating at Chikjajur.

2. Train No. 07348 Chitradurga to Hubballi Express Special is partially cancelled between Chitradurga to Chikjajur and will originate from Chikjajur.

Cancellation of schedule stoppage at Chitradurga

1. Train No.06207 KSR Bengaluru to Hospet Express Special from Sept. 27 to Oct. 16.

2. Train No. 06208 Hospet to KSR Bengaluru Express Special from Sept. 28 to Oct. 17.

3. Train No. 06243 KSR Bengaluru to Hospet Express Special from Sept. 28 to Oct. 17.

4. Train No. 06244 Hospet to KSR Bengaluru Express Special from Sept. 28 to Oct. 17.

5. Train No. 06521 Yesvantpur to Jaipur Suvidha Special on Sept. 30, Oct. 7 and Oct. 14.

6. Train No. 06522 Jaipur to Yesvantpur Suvidha Special on Oct. 2 and Oct. 9.

7. Train No. 06237 Mysuru to Shiradi Sai Nagar Express Special on Oct. 4 and Oct. 11.

8. Train No.06238 Shiradi Sai Nagar to Mysuru Express Special on Sept. 28, Oct. 5 and Oct. 12.

9. Train No. 06229 Mysuru to Varanasi Express Special on Sept. 28, Sept. 30, Oct. 5, Oct. 7, Oct. 12 and Oct. 14.

10. Train No. 06230 Varanasi to Mysuru Express Special on Sept. 30, Oct. 2, Oct. 7, Oct. 9 and Oct. 14, according to a press release from Dr. Manjunath Kanamadi, Senior Divisional Commercial Manager and PRO.

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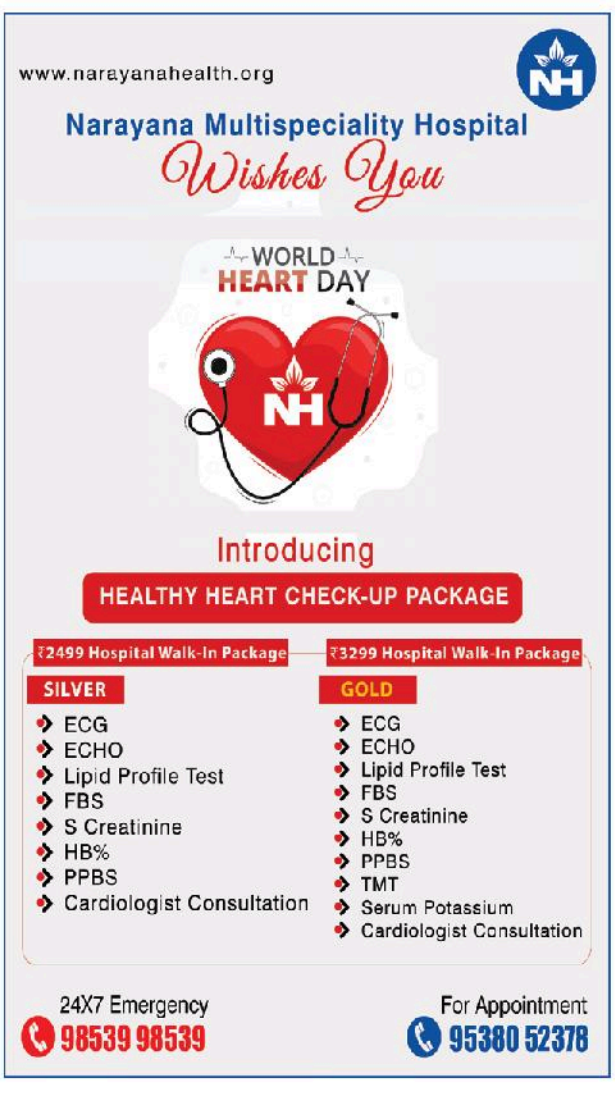

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Hostel admission

The Backward Classes Welfare Department has invited online applications from eligible boys and girls from Category-1, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B and SC/ST communities studying in standards sixth to tenth, for admission to Pre-Matric Boys and Girls student Hostels run by the Department in Mysuru district. The prescribed application forms can be obtained from the Department office in their respective taluks. The last date for submission of online application form along with all necessary documents is Oct. 11.

Scholarship

The Mysuru branch of Bengaluru-based Krishik Sarvodaya Foundation has invited applications from economically backward students from rural areas who want to purse higher education after PUC, Degree and Post-Graduate degrees for availing student scholarship (2021-22). Children (students) from economically backward agricultural families, children of Small and Micro farmers owning dry land of less than one hectare, children of farm labourers and children, who have studied in rural areas at least until 10th standard, are eligible to apply. Interested students from families having a rural background can apply at the Foundation office located at Krishik Bhavan, Gen. K.S. Thimayya Road, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Mysuru - 570017, before Nov. 8, according to a press release from the Foundation. Application forms can be downloaded from the website: ***www.ksfkarnataka.com;*** For details, call Ph: 0821-2301564 or 99457-52592 or 96116-05678]

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Today	:	**2,857.63** feet
Inflow	:	**1053** cusecs
Outflow	:	**1,250** cusecs

Dist. Minister greets S.M. Krishna

Mysuru, Sept. 29 (KMS&DM)- Soon after the announcement that former CM S.M. Krishna will inaugurate this year's Dasara, Co-operation Minister S.T. Somashekar, who is also Mysuru and Chamarajanagar Districts in-Charge Minister, greeted the veteran politician.

Somashekar

Welcoming CM Basavaraj Bommai's decision to invite S.M. Krishna for inaugurating the *Naada Habba*, Somashekar said that Krishna must be credited for making Bengaluru an international IT-BT hub, when he was the CM over two decades ago. Pointing out that Bengaluru came to be known as Silicon City for its IT hub, he said that it is a matter of delight that Krishna has been chosen as the dignitary to inaugurate Dasara this year.

Maintaining that Krishna transformed the State through his foresight, he said that the former CM must be credited for the concept of Townships in the State.

Welcoming the decision, MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev said, S.M. Krishna turned the State into a knowledge centre through Development Mantra. The CM has taken a good decision in inviting Krishna, who hails from Mandya of old Mysuru region, for Dasara inauguration, he added.

Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda said that veteran politician S.M. Krishna has served the country in various capacities — as Karnataka CM, Dy. CM, External Affairs Minister and as a Governor, besides holding many other top positions. He was thankful to Bommai and Mysuru District Minister S.T. Somashekar for selecting S.M. Krishna as the dignitary to inaugurate this year's Dasara, he pointed out.

Chamaraja MLA L. Nagendra said that he whole heartedly welcomes the CM's decision of selecting Krishna to inaugurate Dasara. Contending that Krishna is a good orator and a highly qualified person who transformed Bengaluru into a world-class IT hub and gave a big boost for development of the State, he said that he will pray to Goddess Chamundeshwari for making the State fully COVID-free at least after Dasara.

MLC Sandesh Nagaraj said that S.M. Krishna was not only a politician but an intellectual and a statesman. Contending that Krishna's contribution to the State as the CM cannot be forgotten, he said that Krishna must be credited for putting Bengaluru prominently on the global map. It is a matter of joy that such a personality has been selected for Dasara inauguration, he added.

MLC Marithibbegowda said that S.M. Krishna is one of the senior most and outstanding politicians of the State, who made Karnataka proud not only nationally but also internationally.

Noting that it was S.M. Krishna who introduced the model concept of Mid-Day Meals scheme for school children, he said that the former CM had made a lot of contribution for old Mysuru region, which he belonged to. Welcoming the decision of the State Government, he thanked the CM for selecting the veteran politician for Dasara inauguration.

Dignitaries who inaugurated Dasara from 1999 to 2020

1999	Dr. Gangubai Hangal - Hindustani Classical Singer
2000	M.N. Jois - Freedom Fighter
2001	B. Saroja Devi Sriharsha - Kannada Actress
2002	No Celebrations
2003	Dr. C.N.R. Rao - Scientist
2004	Dr. H. Narasimhaiah - Education Expert
2005	Baragur Ramachandrappa - Littérateur
2006	G. Narayana - Gandhian
2007	Sri Balagangadharanatha Swamiji of Adichunchanagiri Mutt
2008	Dr. Shivakumara Swamiji of Siddaganga Mutt
2009	Sri Ravishankar Guruji - Founder, The Art of Living Foundation
2010	Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade - Dharmadhikari, Dharmasthala Temple
2011	Sri Vishwesha Teertha Swamiji of Pejawar Mutt
2012	Sri Siddeshwara Swamiji of Gnanayogashrama, Vijayapura
2013	Dr. Chandrashekar Kambara - Senior Littérateur
2014	Girish Karnad - Kannada Writer
2015	Puttaiah - Progressive Farmer
2016	*Nadoja* Dr. Channaveera Kanavi - Senior Littérateur
2017	*Nadoja* Dr. K.S. Nissar Ahmed - Poet and Writer
2018	Sudha Murty - Chairperson of Infosys Foundation
2019	*Padma Shri* Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa - Novelist
2020	Dr. C.N. Manjunath - Director of Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research

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KPCC Working President and former MP R. Dhruvanarayan said that he welcomes the Government's decision. He further said that he has no reservations on selecting S.M. Krishna for doing Dasara honours.

Former Chamaraja MLA Vasu said that S.M. Krishna stands at the top in the list of leaders who gave a new direction to the State. Pointing out that Krishna is a humble person, he said that Krishna contributed a lot for the development of key sectors such as IT-BT, Tourism, Education and Health. Terming Krishna as a visionary, he said that the Government had made the right decision in selecting the former CM as the dignitary for Dasara inauguration.

BJP National General Secretary C.T. Ravi, who is also a former Minister, said that Krishna is a non-controversial person and had made a name for himself in national and as well as State politics. He further said that the Government has taken a good decision of inviting Krishna for inaugurating Dasara.

Noted writer Prof. Aravind Malagatti said that Krishna is a humble politician who must be credited for making the State known globally for its IT-BT hub and research. Pointing out that Krishna has stayed away from active politics, he said that the Government had taken a right decision by selecting the former CM for doing Dasara honours.

Profile of veteran politician

Born at Somanahalli in Maddur taluk of Mandya on May 1, 1932, S.M. Krishna (Somanahalli Mallaiah Krishna) studied at Maharaja's College in Mysuru and studied Law at Bengaluru Law College. After completing his higher studies abroad, Krishna returned home and taught Law at Bengaluru's Jagadguru Renukacharya Law College and practiced law, before entering politics.

S.M. Krishna

Krishna became an MLA for the first time in 1962 contesting from his home constituency Maddur and became a Lok Sabha Member from Mandya in 1968. After holding different positions, both in the Central and State Governments, he became the KPCC President in 1999 and sounded 'Panchajanya,' which saw the Congress return to power with a landslide majority in the Assembly elections later that year. Krishna, who became CM of the State on Oct. 11, 1999, served till May 2004. He later served as Maharashtra Governor till 2008 and as External Affairs Minister in the Manmohan Singh Cabinet from 2009 to 2012. He left Congress in 2017 and joined BJP. However, he has stayed away from active politics of late.

Krishna married Prema in 1964 and the couple have two daughters. Krishna's grandson Amarthya Hegde married the daughter of KPCC President D.K. Shivakumar in February this year at Bengaluru.

'KSTRI study of Kodava tribe an eye-wash'

Codava National Council demands another meticulous ethnographic study

Mysuru, Sept. 29 (PM&BCT)- Codava National Council (CNC) led by its President Nandineravanda U. Nachappa has urged the State Government to issue a fresh order to conduct a comprehensive and meticulous ethnographic study on Kodava tribe with 'Emic' approach with judicious perspective.

Addressing a press conference at Pathrakarthara Bhavan in the city yesterday, Nachappa said that the CNC had demanded that the Centre conduct an ethnographic survey of the Kodava tribe in Kodagu district to include the tribe in the Constitution's Scheduled List.

Following the Centre's direction, the Karnataka Government had released Rs. 11 lakh for the purpose of the survey and entrusted the work to the Mysuru-based **Karnataka State Tribal Research Institute (KSTRI)** in 2016. Though the survey was conducted between Nov. 16 and Dec. 18, 2016, it was inappropriate and not as per the established practices due to the influence of certain political leaders and some vested interests inside KSTRI, he said.

CNC President N.U. Nachappa addressing a press conference at Pathrakarthara Bhavan in city yesterday as others look on.

Also, instead of conducting ethnographic study, the KSTRI prepared a questionnaire for Socio-Economic study and proceeded with it. It carried out field work of only 13 families of Bettathur village in Madikeri Taluk to derail and subvert the real objective of the Government order, Nachappa said.

Eye-wash study

Among the Taluks in Kodagu, the Kodava community is most densely populated in Virajpet Taluk, then in Madikeri Taluk and less number remain in Somwarpet Taluk. Out of 1 lakh population, the KSTRI collected the samples of only 6,000. Each Taluk's Kodava population's standard of living varies. Hence just a study of one village in one Taluk does not give the authentic insight and information regarding Kodava race, he added.

If conducted properly, the ethnographic survey would have helped include Kodava tribe in the Scheduled List of the Constitution. He said the entry into the list would help protect, preserve and ratify the inherent land rights, traditional habitation, language, cultural heritage, and geopolitical aspirations of the Kodava community.

The Kodava tribe is as indigenous to Kodagu as Pandits are to Kashmir, he said. Now the tribe has been excluded from the welfare schemes and social empowerment programmes as it is not in Scheduled List, he said.

All norms violated

"The KSTRI study was in a diabolic 'Etic' approach while actually an 'Emic' approach should have been adopted. The parameters laid down by the Justice Lokur Committee Report were ignored by the KSTRI that conducted an eye-wash study. Also, the title of the study should have been "Kulashashtra Adhyayana" or "Ethnographic Study" but KSTRI has titled it "Kodagu Jilleyallina Kodava Samudayada Arthika-Saamaajika Adhyayana" (a socio-economic study of Kodavas)," Nachappa said.

There is a clear cut order issued by the Government to conduct an exclusive ethnographic study. KSTRI has carried out a major portion of socio-economic study and created fake economic status. "KSTRI neither collected authentic documents nor produced proper income and expenditure sources but collected only verbal statements, marginalising the real ethnographic issue," Nachappa claimed.

Repeated requests made by CNC to the State Government for rectification in ethnographic study were not considered, forcing the CNC to approach the High Court of Karnataka.

In the midst of Court proceedings, a prejudiced Kodava study report was submitted by KSTRI to the Government on July 5, 2021 after the Director meddled with the date. "KSTRI created a fake exaggerated version with a prejudiced mindset which is not acceptable. We urge the Government to reject the present report as being unscientific and issue a fresh order to conduct a comprehensive and meticulous ethnographic study of Kodava race with an 'Emic' approach by the team of skilled ethnologists, social scientists and expert anthropologists," he said.

High Court Advocate and Budakattu Kuruba Sangharsha Samithi President Lakkavalli Manjunath, CNC leaders Areyada Girish, Chambanda Janath Kumar, Kaliyanda Prakash, Ajjikuttira Lokesh, Apparanda Poovanna and others were present at the press meet.

Distribution of equipment to visually impaired tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 29- Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru, will conclude Sri Mahaganapathy Puja Mahothsava on Sept. 30 in the premises of Rama Mandira, Srirampet.

On the occasion, a programme to distribute blind sticks, walkers and other requirements to blind persons, aged persons, old age homes and orphanages has been organised tomorrow at 5.30 pm.

Dr. B.M. Subraya, President, Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions, Mysuru, will be chief guest. R. Malini, District Welfare Officer, Department for the Empowerment of Differently-Abled and Senior Citizens, Mysuru, will be the special invitee.

As part of cultural programme at 6.30 pm, a Classical Vocal Concert by Girish and troupe will be held, according to a press release from Dr. N. Sriram, President of Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust.

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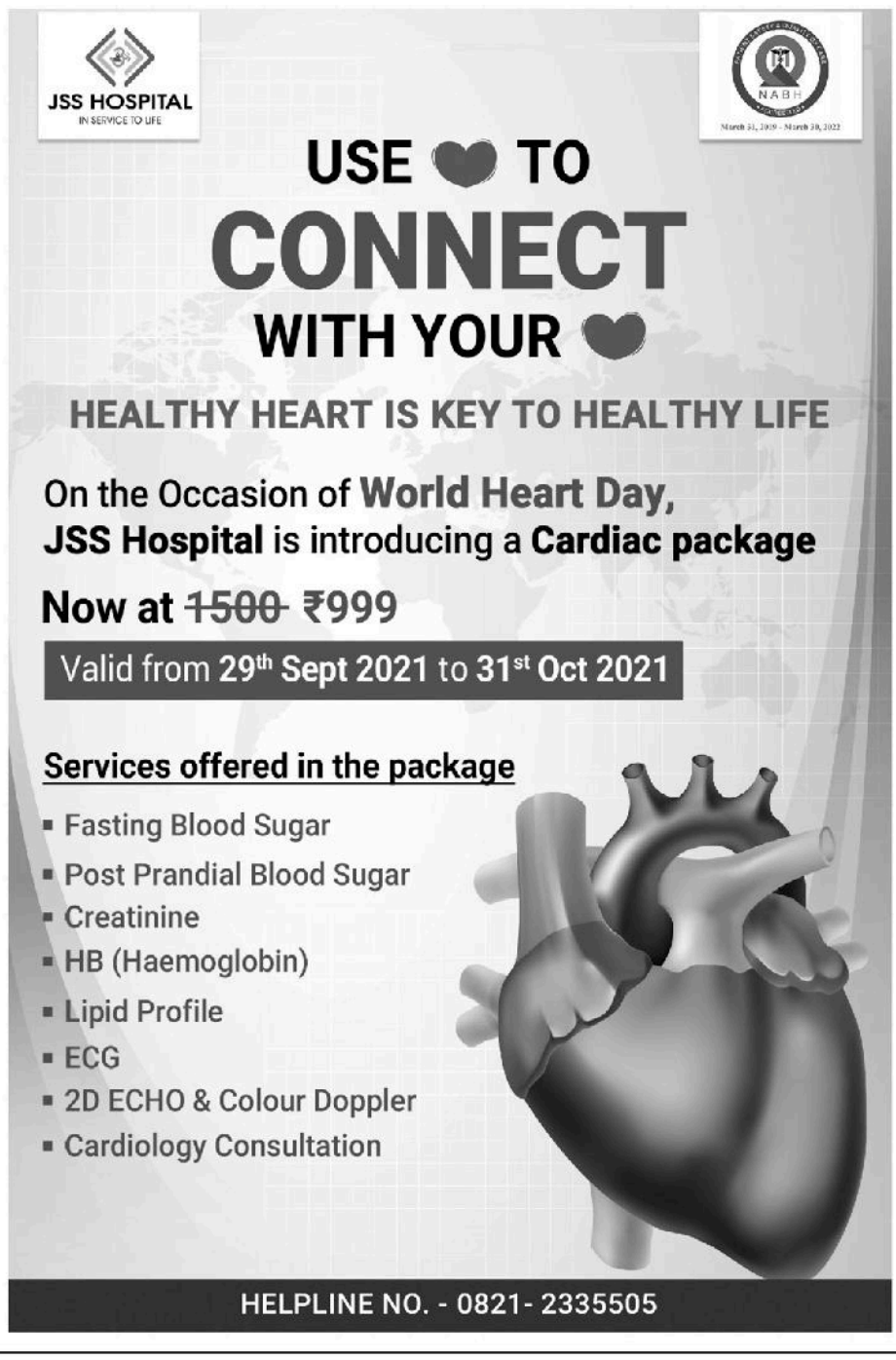

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By K.B. Ganapathy

TIME to know the world's most influential people

The American influence peddler and deceptive persuader of a magazine *TIME* has come up with an interesting and revealing subject in its Sept. 27, 2021 issue. It has its selection of 'The World's Most Influential People' numbering 100.

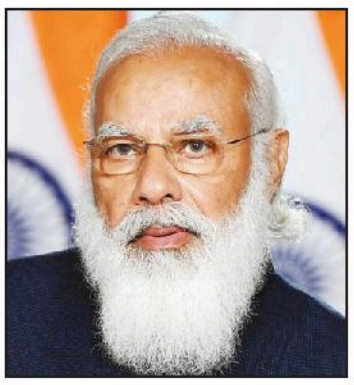
As I know, this magazine for all its power and glory has never been well-disposed towards India and now rather ill-disposed towards our Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Remember the lead article in this magazine in 2019 written by Aatish Taseer wherein Modi was branded as "India's Divider in Chief" and more?

It is for this reason I was surprised to see Modi's name once again here among the 100 world's most influential people under the section 'Leaders.' Of course, as a counterweight, it has also included another Indian under this section 'Leaders.' That is West Bengal's Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee.

There are six sections among these 100 and they are **1.** Pioneers **2.** Artists **3.** Leaders **4.** Titans **5.** Innovators **6.** Icons. India, apart from finding a place under the section 'Leaders,' it has also the honour of finding a place among 'Pioneers' and 'Titans.' Adar Poonawalla of Serum Institute of India (born Mumbai) and under the section 'Icons' it has Manjusha P. Kulkarni (born Pune), who is the Executive Director of Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council dealing with America's current problem Racism. Of course, she must be an American citizen though born in Pune, India. Let it be.

Here I would like to share with my readers what *TIME* magazine thinks about its two chosen Indian leaders — Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee. First, Mamata Banerjee: The author of the brief write-up on Mamata Banerjee is Barkha Dutt, Indian television journalist and author known in our country for her skewed, patently partial and abominably biased journalism with an agenda.

Mamata Banerjee is called an 'Ascendant Politician.'



Narendra Modi

Mamata Banerjee

Barkha Dutt writes "...She rose from abject poverty — working once as a stenographer and a milk booth vendor to support her family. Of Banerjee, it is said, she doesn't lead her party, the Trinamool Congress — she is the party."

Here I am reminded of the famous utterance of the Roman Dictator Julius Caesar. He was so presumptuous about his own power, he said, "Rome? I am the Rome."

Be that as it may, here is the final prediction by Barkha Dutt about Mamata Banerjee's political ascendance. "If any coalition of forces were to come together to counter Modi nationally, Mamata is almost certain to be the pivot." Alleluia! For the Left Liberals and what we read and hear as 'Members of the Lutyens Club' (Headquarters in Delhi), Modi is like the ubiquitous ghost in the Shakespearean play 'Hamlet'. He must be brought in somehow in their writings and reporting. Should it be so for them, so be it!

Now let us turn to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and find out where he stands as a Leader, according to Fareed Zakaria, India born and the famous erudite, very gentle and refined host of CNN TV news channel of America. 'Taking more control' is the opinion *per se*.

According to Zakaria, "In its 74 years as an independent nation, India has had three pivotal leaders. Jawaharlal Nehru, its founding Prime Minister, set the template for the country as secular and democratic. Indira Gandhi presided over its most tumultuous times, spanning war, civil strife and Emergency rule. Narendra Modi is the third, dominating the country's politics like no one since them."

Precisely. I am a child of seven years before our independence and would wholeheartedly agree with what Zakaria has said of the three leaders — Nehru, Indira Gandhi and Modi. The rest of what he has written about Modi is palpably inappropriate and out of focus. I do not think Modi has mishandled COVID-19. A sure case of misinformation about a country of 130 crore population fighting the scourge of Coronavirus. It was Modi leading from the front who personally visited the three major vaccine manufacturing units in Pune and other two places — Hyderabad and Ahmedabad — as soon as the vaccine was discovered and set the manufacturing process on a war-footing. Now we have enough vaccine for our needs as well as for exporting for the needy. Please give the devil its due. Time we verify and then trust what is said or written.

If Modi has not moved off the Socialist past as believed, by people like Zakaria, when he was elected, it is because India is a 'rich country where poor people live.' Hence, it cannot move off its Socialist past. It is like the affirmative action or food coupon in America. Modi is right, he knows his people from a touching distance, not from across the Atlantic or Pacific Ocean. Pure Capitalism is as dangerous as Pure Communism — it will not give relief to the poorer sections of the people in any country. Is it possible to make jewellery from pure gold?

Zakaria, anyhow, gives a left-handed compliment on this issue to Modi but holds him guilty of pushing 'the country away from Secularism and toward Hindu Nationalism.' He does not forget to write about 'eroding the rights of India's Muslim minority.'

He says Modi's Government imprisoned and intimidated journalists "who shine a light on its abuses and has passed laws crippling India's thousands of NGOs..." Well, well, well. Enough of advocacy of these NGOs. Laws passed are not enough to check the financial power of these NGOs. NGOs were running a parallel economy with funds cascading from foreign countries. For what purpose? I think Modi Government must have enough reason to pass those laws. As I know, mushrooming of these NGOs is phenomenal and this easy money is used, with no monitoring by any Government agency, to achieve their own hidden agenda.

Zakaria writes that according to two international think tanks "India has veered away from democracy" and the V-Dem Institute calls Modi's Government as **"electoral autocracy."**

Yes sir, we have seen **"electoral autocracy"** with brute majority in the Parliament and what it could do to the people and the country decades before Modi came to power in 2014. We had the Emergency and more, including the amendment of the Constitution to nullify the verdict of the Court which was nothing but an electoral autocracy.

TIME magazine must be admired for its labour of identifying these 100 persons who are world's most influential people. And these are the people who will work to make the world a better place to live by shaping it appropriately using their genius and labour.

In the same manner, *TIME* magazine could do well to identify the **areas** that stand as obstructionist for the peace and development of the world, like for example terrorism, religious fanaticism and unchecked population growth, destruction of ecology etc.

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Voter Helpline App launched

Mysuru, Sept. 29- With the revision of electoral rolls in progress in the district, the Election Commission has launched a Voter Helpline App (VHA) for the benefit of voters in respect of inclusion of new names (eligibility as on Jan.1, 2022), addition or deletion of names, corrections in respect of address etc.

Youths who attain 18 years of age as on Jan. 1, 2022 and also all other eligible voters who have hitherto not included their names in the voter list, can make use of this opportunity for getting an entry in the electoral rolls.

The members of the public can download this Voter Helpline App through Play Store and thus get enrolled in the voter list or make any corrections etc., according to a press release from Additional DC Dr. B.S. Manjunathaswamy, who is also the Additional Electoral Officer of the District.

Deadline extended to Sept. 30

Mysuru, Sept. 29- The Social Welfare Department has extended the deadline for submission of online applications by SC community students for Post-Matric student scholarship (2020-21) till Sept.30.

SC community students from Mysuru taluk can submit the application form through the scholarship portal *ssp.postmatric.karnataka.gov.in.*

The students must have ceded their Aadhaar card with Bank account for getting scholarship through NPCI (National Payment Corporation of India).

For more details, visit the Department Office located in Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram Bhavan, Adipampa Road, Paduvarahalli or call Ph: 0821-2520910.

KSCA Mysuru to hold selection trials for Inter-District teams

Mysuru, Sept. 29- The Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA), Mysuru Zone, will be conducting selection trials to select the U-16 years Inter-District teams on Oct. 12 at SDNR Wadiyar Grounds at 8.30 am.

The last date to receive entries along with date of birth certificate and Aadhaar Card is Oct. 8 before 5 pm at the KSCA Mysuru Zone Office. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2519900. Players born on or after Sept. 1, 2005 are eligible to participate in the selection trials.

Boys below 14 years are not allowed to participate in the selections, according to a press release from KSCA Mysuru Zone Convenor S. Sudhakar Rai.

Mysuru to get Forensic Lab

Six hi-tech labs to be established across the State, says CM

Hubballi, Sept. 29 (UNI)- Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said that the State Government would set up Forensic Science Laboratories (FSL) in six cities in Karnataka, including Mysuru, Hubballi-Dharwad and Kalaburagi to facilitate early detection and expedite investigation of crimes. He has discussed the issue with Union Home Minister Amit Shah.

There have already been discussions over the need for Forensic Science Labs to be used more to help not just in solving crimes but also increase the rate of prosecution.

Addressing an event held by the Police in Hubballi on Monday, he said a training centre in the model of National Defence Academy in Khadakwasla would be set up for the mid-level personnel of the Police Department.

Bommai said for the first time, the State Government was appointing Police officials based on the concept of 'Officer on Crime Scene', and appointment of over 16,000 personnel and Sub-Inspectors had been initiated.

Officers of DySP and above ranks should not restrict themselves to the Office and administrative works, instead, they need to visit Police Stations and also should work on field, he said.

Basic infrastructure facilities would be given to Police Stations on priority and the Government aims to build 100 Stations a year totalling 500 Stations in the next five years. As many as 10,000 Police Quarters would be built and Dog Kennels would be set up to train dogs, he said.

Home Minister Aaraga Jnanendra said that the Bill has been passed in legislature to curb online lottery and gambling. Provisions have been made to register the cases as cognisable offences and soon this will come into force as an Act.

Crime conviction rate dips in Mysuru

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Police beat system: At an event to inaugurate a programme to make Vidyaranyapuram Police Station a 'zero-crime and people-friendly Station' under the leadership of MLA S.A. Ramdas, the Minister asked the Police top brass to intensify the beat system and noted that the British were successful in controlling India as they had introduced and effectively implemented the beat system.

On the issue of night patrolling, the Home Minister was told that every day, over 250 Police personnel are on the job. He suggested that senior officials also go on night beats to ensure proper and effective patrolling.

He said that the Government is making arrangements for the people to lodge complaints against Police officials for abuse of power. The complaints will be accepted at the SP and DGP Offices, he said. Two telephone numbers will be set up at Offices where complaints would be lodged, he said.

The Government also aims to post three women Police officials in every Police Station and one women Police Station in every district, Jnanendra said.

MLA Ramdas, MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta, DCPs Pradeep Gunti and Geetha Prasanna, ACPs Shashidhar, Shivashankar, Poornachandra Tejaswi, Vidyaranyapuram Inspector J.C. Raju, Corporators Shanthamma Vadivelu and Sharadamma and others were present.

Mysore Airport to remain as civilian airport: MP

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The issue was raised when Hardeep Singh Puri was the Minister of State for Civil Aviation and he had assured not to hand over the Airport to IAF. In his memorandum to Puri, Pratap Simha stated, "If the Airport is taken over and converted to a Helicopter Base, it will bring restrictions in several forms similar to Pune and Bagdogra Airports to ensure National Security by safeguarding Defence equipment that would then be housed at the Airport. This will in turn restrict the airport growth."

In 2018, Kumaraswamy had urged the Centre to shift the IAF Helicopter Training Centre from Yelahanka in Bengaluru to Mysore Airport. The IAF had conveyed to the then CM Kumaraswamy that it would develop the Mysore Airport on the lines of Airports in Pune, Chandigarh and Srinagar.

In its proposal, the IAF had stated that it will develop the Mysore Airport with its own costs and make available facilities for both civil and military use. This will considerably reduce the pressure on the Kempegowda International Airport in Bengaluru, the IAF had said. After the then CM's proposal, the State Government gave its 'No Objection Certificate' for the use of Mysore Airport. Since the Airport comes under the jurisdiction of AAI, Kumaraswamy's request was pending with AAI. Now the proposal has been shelved.

"Since Mysuru is known as the Cultural-Heritage Capital of Karnataka, passengers are attracted by the tourism experience of the city. Additionally, Mysuru is also now attracting industries with the establishment of IT majors and various automotive ventures. And in such a situation, handing over the Airport to IAF will hamper the growth of the city and will affect the tourism potential of the entire region," the MP reasoned.

Retired Tahsildar Mohammed Nizamuddin passes away

Md. Nizamuddin

Mysuru, Sept. 29- Mohammed Nizamuddin (92), retired Tahsildar and a resident of Bannimantap 'A' Layout, passed away yesterday afternoon at a private hospital in city following brief illness.

A former football player, he leaves behind one son, three daughters, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held yesterday followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle, according to family sources.

An article titled *'Reviving Forgotten Memories'* written by his granddaughter Areebah Tasdeeq was published in *Star of Mysore* dated July 7, 2021.

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The Walk-in-Interview for the following Post will be held on **01-10-2021 (Friday) at 10.30.a.m.** in the Board Room of M.B.A. Building, P.E.S. College of Engineering, Mandya. Interested candidates are required to attend for a written test. Only those candidates who are found to be qualified in the written test will be called for the interview.

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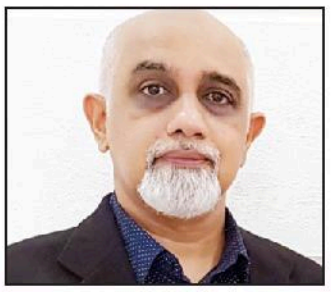
Towards Digital Health

Thoughts on World Heart Day today



By Dr. M.N. Ravi
Senior Heart Specialist & Clinical Director, Narayana Multispeciality Hospital, Mysore

An initiative of the World Heart Federation, World Heart Day is celebrated on 29th September every year. This is an opportunity to create awareness in the community that **Cardiovascular Disease (CVD)** including heart disease and stroke is the world's leading cause of death and therefore nudge people to adopt heart healthy lifestyles. It is interesting to note the theme of World Heart Day 2021 — *Harnessing the power of digital health to improve awareness, prevention and management of CVD.*

I said it was interesting because much before we read this international theme our humble rural populace showed a way forward during the middle of COVID-19 lockdown by harnessing the power of their smartphones. Since there were lockdowns and no public transport available, our rural-based patients utilised audio and video consultation, they paid online, took healthcare appointments online for video calls, passed on their previous consultation notes, medicine lists, lab and radiology reports online and doctors responded with appropriate suggestions — patient at his home in a village and doctor at the hospital or clinic or even at home. Patients saved the cost of travel for at least two people to the hospital in city, cost of food and other expenses and, of course, saved time and prevented loss of at least two working days (patient and one or two attendants). Regular checks and monitoring of hypertension, diabetes, chronic ailments like COPD, heart failure, neurological issues etc., were taken care of satisfactorily.

During the pandemic, issues developing economies struggled with included almost negligible access to real-time and authentic healthcare data. People scrambled to get access to real-time information on beds and hospitals since most of our healthcare systems work in silos. **Solution lies in digital health and digital transformation.** Adoption of technologies like block chain for data management, AI for societal health management and big data analysis on EMR, EHR data to improve healthcare operation is critical.

In 2020, the penetration rate of smartphones in India reached 54%. While 94% urban internet users access the internet daily, 90% rural users access internet on a regular basis. Rural India registered 13% growth in internet users in 2020 (vs 4% urban). Moving at a growth pace over 3x faster than urban India, by 2025, rural India is likely to have more internet users (smartphone) than urban India. Rural areas will likely force many changes in how the internet is accessed and the digital ecosystem including digital health.

Digital Health: Use of information and communication technologies in medicine to manage illnesses, health risks and promote wellness. Digital health includes mobile health, health information and technology, wearable devices (smart watch), telehealth and telemedicine. Examples include mobile health apps, Electronic Medical Records (EMR), handheld imaging devices. Digital tools provide us with a more holistic view of patient health through access to data and giving patients more control over their health. Important vitals like heart rate, blood pressure, oxygen saturation can be monitored and transmitted across devices. mApp i ECG is one such example to diagnose heart attack. The family or health care worker can provide life-saving first-aid to such patients.

Hypertension, diabetes, heart failure and medication adherence monitoring have seen significant advances across most technological categories. As new technologies are developed, data derived from m health devices should be integrated into clinical workflows. In general, a closed data loop is necessary and involves a cycle initiated by patient or provider, cloud based data transfer, interpretation of these findings or automated algorithms and data being returned to patient and provider for clinical decisions.

An i ECG is an important example taken earlier. A smartphone 3 inch strip that incorporates electrodes for wireless cardiac telemetry monitoring

(AliveCor). This produces a rhythm strip ECG and is captured by the smartphone microphone, which can be transmitted into another app ready phone or telemetry screen in an ICU for immediate decision-making and save lives.

An ASHA care worker can be trained to transmit i ECG of a patient from a PHC in a village near Chamarajanagar or Madikeri to the smartphone of a doctor in Mysuru for immediate action.

Wireless and Wearable Devices: Continuous blood pressure and glucose monitoring technologies have been developed. Continuous 24- hour ambulatory devices can be fitted to watch-like device. This could be used to monitor drug resistant hypertension.

Continuous glucose monitoring involves implantation of a small transcutaneous electrode in the arm. The glucose oxidase chemical reaction produces a current reflecting the interstitial glucose concentrations and is transmitted into a smartphone for real-time monitoring. This technology is proving effective in diabetic patients in preventing low sugar episodes with early detection and as a method for long-term sugar control resulting from positive behavioural changes such as exercise, diet and medication compliance.

Will patients use and engage with m health devices for effective large scale transformation in digital health? Changing patient behaviour and sustaining these changes might be a challenge. An expectation from the use of m health is a positive behavioural change resulting from patients actively participating in self-care and shared decision-making.

Therefore, the theme of World Heart Day-2021 of harnessing the power of digital health to improve heart health is apt and could be a game-changer. We have to innovate, collaborate and involve the rural population to achieve nationwide digital health transformation. 'Digital health is expected to predict and prevent and not just diagnose and treat' to borrow a quote.

Awareness rally for a healthy heart

Mysuru, Sept. 29 (RK&AK)- On the occasion of World Heart Day, an awareness jatha was organised in city this morning by the District Health and Family Welfare Office in association with Indian Medical Association (IMA), Mysore Branch, Gopala Gowda Shanthaveri Memorial Hospital and BGS Apollo Nursing College, Mysuru.

District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. K.H. Prasad, who flagged off the rally from the DHO Office premises in Nazarbad, said, "Nowadays we can see increase in heart attack cases among youngsters and senior citizens. Unhealthy lifestyle and bad food habits are the main reason for heart-related diseases. Also pressure and tension can cause lot of damage to the heart; so it is important to protect our heart from unnecessary pressure."

"Regular health checkups, taking advice from doctors and indulging in regular exercise is must for a healthy life. Hospitals are conducting free medical camps to create awareness among people," he said and called upon people to protect their hearts and lead a healthier life.

The rally passed via Hardinge Circle, Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Mini Vidhana Soudha and ended at DHO Office. More than 80 members including medical students, doctors and staff of Health Department participated in the rally by holding placards and raising slogans to create awareness among people on the importance of protecting their heart.

Dr. Sujatha Rao, Dr. Chandraban Singh, Dr. Jayanath, Dr. Shivaprasad, Dr. Mahadevaprasad and others were present.

Cyclothon by Narayana Multispeciality Hospital

Mysuru, Sept. 29- Narayana Multispeciality Hospital in association with Trin Trin Mysuru had organised a mega cyclothon to create awareness about heart care in which more than 200 cyclists participated.

The cyclothon was flagged off by Dr. M.N. Ravi, Senior Heart Specialist & Clinical Director of Narayana Multispeciality Hospital and Dr. K.S. Sadananda, Medical Superintendent of Jayadeva Hospital, Mysuru.

The cyclists passed through Ring Road, Sathagalli and culminated at Narayana Hospital.

Narayana Hospital's Senior Cardiologists Dr. V. Keshavamurthy and Dr. N.S. Rajendra, Cardiologist Dr. Srinivas, Paediatric Cardiologist Dr. Anand Lingam, Facility Director Pavan Kumar, Marketing Head K.V. Kamath and others were present.

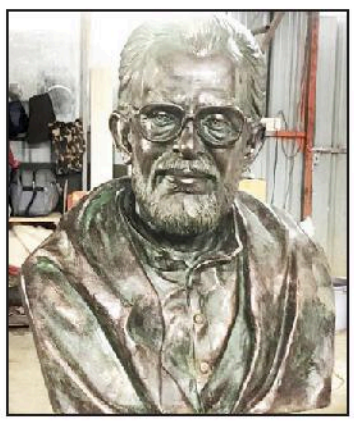
'B.V. Karanth should get global recognition'

FROM LEFT: ***Rangayana Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, senior actor and theatre director Srinivas Prabhu, senior actor Sundar Raj, Theatre Director Suresh Anagalli, Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa and Bengaluru's Babukodi B.V. Karanth Ranga Pratishtana Convenor Jayaram Patil, during a seminar organised as part of the valedictory of 'Bharatiya Rangasangeetha-Natakotsava: Ranga Bheeshma B.V. Karantha Ranga Namana' Theatre Fest at Rangayana in city on Sunday. Picture alongside shows artistes of Spinning Tree Theatre Company, Vijayapura, staging the play 'Anamikana Saavu' on the concluding day.***

Mysuru, Sept. 29 (PM&DM)- Contending that theatre icon B.V. Karanth should get global recognition for being the first to give a three-dimensional theatrical experiments, Theatre Director Suresh Anagalli said that it is B.V. Karanth who gave a new direction to the Indian theatre. He was speaking at the seminar on 'Ranga Bheeshmara Rangaavalokana' organised as part of the valedictory of the week-long 'Ranga Bheeshma B.V. Karantha Ranga Namana' Theatre Fest at Bhoomigeeta in Rangayana premises here on Sunday.

Regretting that B.V. Karanth has not got his right place in global theatre, Suresh Anagalli said that Karanth had understood the pulse of the people by travelling all across the country.

Pointing out that Karanth gave all his expertise for the growth of the theatre, he said that people of all languages used to like Karanth's plays for their versatility and themes.



B.V. Karanth's bust at Rangayana.

Recalling the growth of Karanth from Company plays to NSD (National School of Drama), Suresh Anagalli said that the process of revisiting Karanth has just begun.

Maintaining that Karanth should be given the right status globally through studies and writings, he said that Karanth dedicated his entire life for taking the theatre to the doorsteps of common man.

Senior actor and theatre director Srinivas Prabhu, who spoke on the topic 'Karanthara Rangabharathadalli Naavu,' observed that B.V. Karanth should be credited for giving a touch of Indian identity to NSD.

Maintaining that Karanth also gave a new direction to Indian theatre while functioning as NSD Director, he said that the influence of western theatre had ruled the roost till then.

Arguing that the winds of change blew in the NSD after Karanth took over as the Director, he said that Karanth must also be credited for giving more opportunities to Southern States.

Recalling his first meeting with Karanth that took place in Bengaluru in 1972, Srinivas Prabhu said that he got an opportunity to take part in the open theatre experiment which was going on then. Asserting that taking part in this rehearsal gave a new turn to his life, Prabhu said that there was a touch of magic in the rehearsals and Karanth used to always excel in Group scenes arrangements. "I continued to learn a lot from Karanth even after I joined NSD. It was Karanth who created a platform for exploring the hidden acting talent in me," he noted.

Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa said that it is important to remember Karanth for the gigantic contribution that he has made to Indian theatre. Pointing out that Rangayana had celebrated B.V. Karanth's birth anniversary (Sept. 19) as 'Bharatiya Ranga Sangeetha Dina' only for a day, he said that this year the event was celebrated over eight days in order to make Karanth's birth anniversary more meaningful.

Asserting that the event, which featured staging of plays every day, drew huge public response, he said that he was delighted by the success of the event.

Pointing out that the event also got good reviews from across the country, with the NSD and Bhopal Rangamandala too greeting the Rangayana for staging the event, Cariappa said that he has more plans for next year.

Earlier, senior actor Sundar Raj, who presided over the valedictory, inaugurated the seminar by reciting a song of Purandaradasa, for which Karanth had composed the music.

Bengaluru's Babukodi B.V. Karanth Ranga Pratishtana Convenor Jayaram Patil, Rangayana Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy and others were present.

'Current literature must focus on women sensitivity'

Mysuru, Sept. 29 (PM&DM)- Maintaining that the present day society has lost responsiveness towards women issues, senior writer Kabbinale Vasanth Bharadwaj said that writers must focus more on women issues.

He was speaking after releasing two works of writer D.N. Krishnamurthy (DNK) — 'Hrudayavantha' and 'Aakrandana' — at a programme organised under the aegis of DNK Sneha Balaga, Mysuru, at the Institution of Engineers on JLB Road on Sunday.

Noting that the work 'Aakrandana' throws light on how a woman stands up against a fellow woman at a time when she has to stand up for her, Bharadwaj said that it is important that every human being loves himself/ herself, which later will transform itself into loving others. Pointing out that the work also explains on how a society can be corrected through Art and Literature, he stressed on the need for the society to be more caring for women.

Former Minister C.H. Vijayashankar, who spoke after inaugurating the event, said that passion and pact are both important in life. While passion spurs our life achievements, a good pact will help in understanding ourselves.

Maintaining that Mysuru has a long history, he said that Mysuru is home to many philosophers and scholars. The rich heritage of the city makes one to achieve something big in life, he added.

Senior writer Bannur K. Raju, in his address, said that it seems that writers have more responsibility in the present day world.

Stressing on the need for writers to transform the society through their writings, he said that it is important for the society to look up at purposeful literature. The literary works of DNK carry such a purposeful stuff, he added.

BJP leader S.R. Gopal Rao presided over the event.

Social worker K. Raghuram Vajpayee, MPVL Chairman N.V. Phaneesh, BJP leader Shankarnarayan, author DNK, Mahima Prakashana's Srinivas, DNK Sneha Balaga members M.R. Chandrashekar, K. Shankar, K. Manjunath Prasad, Jagadish Kumar, B.P. Boregowda, M. Ravikumar, K. Kendagannappa & G. Prasanna Murthy were present.

MFI's Acting Workshop

Theatre Director Jeevan Kumar Heggodu, Film Director Nataraj Rangayana and Writer, Thinker & Film Director Krishnamurthy Chamaram conducted sessions at the Mysuru Film Institute (MFI) in Ramakrishnanagar on Sunday as part of the ongoing week-long Free Acting Workshop. They shared their experiences and held discussions on film making, according to a press release from Sathish Ponnachi, Founder of MFI and Founder-Director of Nakshatra Foundation. The Acting Workshop will conclude on Sept. 30.

WORD OF THE DAY

Flehmen

Pronunciation: FLAY-mun.
Meaning: Flehmen is a mammalian behaviour (as of horses or cats) in which the animal inhales with the mouth open and upper lip curled. This is done to expose the nose to a scent.
Origin: Flehmen comes from German, in which the word applies to animals and means "to curl the upper lip." The German source of the English word is a verb, and it is used, infrequently, as such, as in "the horse flehmened." More often, the English verb form is a gerund: "the horse's flehmening." Flehmen is sometimes capitalised in English because German nouns are capitalised; however, the English word tends to be lowercase.
Example: "Flehmen, sometimes also called the Flehmen response or the Flehmen reaction, is actually a way of smelling or scenting the air. It's not peculiar to horses: other ungulates exhibit the response, as well as cats, elephants, and bats. Lifting the upper lip gives them access to the vomeronasal organ on the roof of their mouth, which contains chemoreceptors that help them find mates and investigate other smells in their environment."

THE ODD WORD

Falsiloquence

Deceitful speech.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Fast friends

Meaning: The phrase 'Fast Friends' is used to describe good, loyal friends.
Origin: Although many believe that the idiom 'fast friends' means friends who developed a liking for one another quickly, the term is actually a shortened form of 'steadfast friends.' The origin of the idiom 'fast friends' comes from an even older version of the word 'steadfast' – Old English triewe meaning faithful, trustworthy, and steady in adhering to promises or friends.
Example: "The two of them had been fast friends since college."

QUOTE BOX

Sometimes, being with your best friend, is all the therapy you need.

—Unknown

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

RASINGINGIN

Answer: Singing in the rain.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 At the home of, in French
5 A Programming Lang.
8 Malarial fever
12 Hollow out
13 16 in Roman numerals
14 Kinds, types or sorts
15 Jumpers or pullovers
17 Food plan
18 Colloquial word for a lord?
19 Fly than can carry sleeping sickness
21 Otherwise? (2,3)
24 Baking ingredient
25 Complete defeat
26 Not straight
27 Superlative suffix
30 'Me' in French
31 Frenchmilitary-"amere" change?
32 Required Time of Arrival
33 Auxiliary Territorial Service
34 Girl studying in a co-educational institute? (2-2)
35 Repast
36 Moses' brother
38 Grass-like wild plant
39 Chopped up meat into small pieces
41 Muslim festival
42 German composer of Coffee Cantata?
43 Capital of Arunachal Pradesh
48 It fits to _ ___ (it fits perfectly) (1,3)
49 National Airspace Sys.
50 Overdue
51 Cheek
52 Fellow
53 AuldLang___:daysoflongago?

DOWN

1 TV network
2 In what way
3 Before, for the poet
4 Fanatical enthusiast
5 Chopped down
6 Nationwide multiplex chain
7 Paid attention or heed to
8 Governors' assistants
9 Sparkled
10 Poi-eaters' plunkers
11 City in NE Italy famous for its ancient Roman ruins
16 Chiding sound
20 Satisfy with food
21 Girl's name
22 Put one's ___ down : take a firm stand?
23 Sources of annoyance
24 Arabian country
26 Sitting as a hen on eggs to hatch them
28 Male deer
29 A story or a narration
31 Area of land
35 Awards for damsel
37 Hurts
38 Transgression of divine law
39 IIM grads.
40 International Air Transport Assoc.
41 Go __ with : be sparing or cautious with?
44 Greek letter
45 Merry or happy
46 Aeronautical Telecommunications Network
47 Female ruff

MONDAY'S ANSWER

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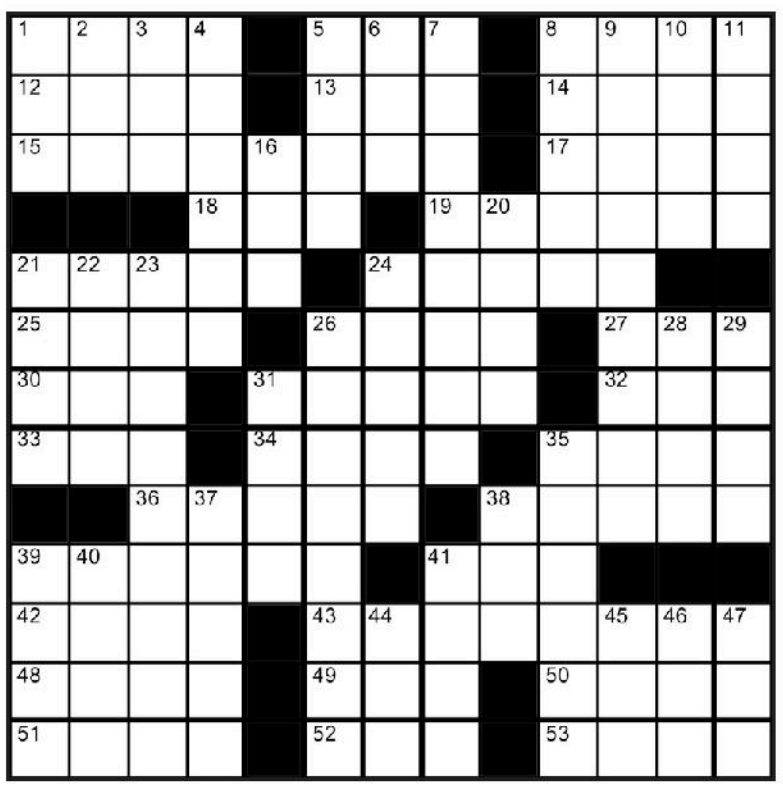

SUDOKU

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	7		4	5				
	6				8		5	
1	8				7			

Answer to previous puzzle

5	8	4	7	1	3	2	6	9
9	1	3	5	2	6	4	8	7
6	7	2	8	4	9	1	3	5
8	6	7	1	5	4	9	2	3
2	5	9	6	3	7	8	4	1
3	4	1	2	9	8	5	7	6
1	3	6	4	8	5	7	9	2
4	9	5	3	7	2	6	1	8
7	2	8	9	6	1	3	5	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

LVM IKTO RO MG OKJZL AX UEO RVJXAXW UV UOZZ RO

A KR JAWEU? GZOKDO IKAU MXUAZ A KR IJVXW.

TODAY'S CLUE: W EQUALS G

Monday's Cryptoquip: I don't know if God exists, but it would be better for His reputation if He didn't.

NOW SHOWING - MOVIES

- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  Pukasatte Lifu (K) - 4 shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Om (K) - 4 shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Cindrella (Ta) - 4 shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 9900820093**
  Chakra (Ta) - 4 shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Pei Mama (Ta) - 4 shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Ph: 2497199**
  Dilli Kaand (H) - 4 shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Lanke (K) - 2 Shows & *Seetimaarr (Te)* - 2 Shows
- **Uma Theatre** — **Ph: 2520009**
  Mafia Bigg Boss (H) - 4 shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Jungle Cruise (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.25 am, 4.10 pm, 6.40 pm
Love Story (Te)	(S-1)	1.00 pm
	(S-3)	3.20 pm
	(S-4)	11 am, 2.35 pm, 5.55 pm
Shang-Chi & Legend of 10 Rings (E)	(S-2)	10.35 am, 1.10 pm
Pei Mama (Ta)	(S-2)	3.40 pm
Thalaivi (H)	(S-2)	6.10 pm
Pukasatte Lifu (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am, 6.30 pm
Don't Breath-2 (E)	(S-3)	1.15 pm

INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — Ph: 2533444 / 2533456

Jungle Cruise (E-3D)	(S-1)	9.50 am, 12.40 pm, 3.30 pm, 6.20 pm
Love Story (Te)	(S-2)	10.40 am, 2.10 pm, 5.40 pm
	(S-3)	10.00 am, 1.25 pm, 4.50 pm
Shang-Chi & Legend of 10 Rings (E)	(S-4)	5.50 pm
Pukasatte Lifu (K)	(S-4)	3.00 pm
Janumada Jaathre (K)	(S-3)	11.45 am

PVR CINEMAS

Forum Centre City Mall, 2nd Floor. Mob: 8951357139

Jungle Cruise (3D-E)	:	12 noon, 2.55 pm, 6.00 pm
Pukasatte Lifu (K)	:	6.20 pm
Love Story (Te)	:	10.10 am, 11.30 am, 1 pm, 1.50 pm, 3.30 pm, 4.40 pm, 5.30 pm
Shang-Chi & Legend of 10 Rings (E)	:	3.10 pm, 6.10 pm
Don't Breathe-2 (E)	:	12:50 pm
Fast & Furious 9: The Fast Saga (E)	:	12:20 pm
Malignant (E)	:	3:30 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

Jungle Cruise (3D-E)	:	10.00 am, 1.00 pm, 4.40 pm
Pukasatte Lifu (K)	:	3.00 pm
Love Story (Te)	:	10.10 am, 12 noon, 1.50 pm, 3.40 pm, 4.40 pm, 5.30 pm
Shang-Chi & Legend of 10 Rings (E)	:	6.00 pm
Fast & Furious 9: The Fast Saga (E)	:	11.50 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Pukasatte Lifu (K)	(S-1)	11.30 am, 4.00 pm, 6.15 pm
Jungle Cruise (3D-E)	(S-3)	11.00 am, 1.30 pm, 4.00 pm, 6.30 pm
Maro Prasthanam (Te)	(S-4)	4.00 pm, 6.20 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (SEPT. 29)

- **Hastashilpi:** Silk India-2021, exhibition-cum-Sale of silk products from across the country, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **up to 8.30 pm.**
- **Gruha Shobhe:** Intl. Living Style Expo, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Hosa Balaku Mahila Swasahaya Sangha:** Shilpam Art and Craft - Silk and Cotton, Open Ground beside Shiva Shakti Kalyana Mantapa, near Highway Circle, New Sayyaji Rao Road, Bamboo Bazar, **up to 9.30 pm.**
- **Indian Art and Craft House and Festiworld:** Exhibition-cum-Sale of handlooms and handicrafts from across India, Open Ground near Apollo Hospital, Kuvempunagar, **up to 9.30 pm.**
- **Nakshatra Foundation Charitable Trust - Mysuru Film Institute:** Basic Acting Workshop - Day 7, demo of famous writer P. Lankesh's play 'Jayanthana Swagatha' (Directed by Jeevan Kumar Heggodu) by Mysuru Film Institute regular batch students, Institute premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **4.30 pm to 6.30 pm.** [Mob: 96864-34095 or 80504-90095]
- **Modi Yug Utsav:** Modi @ 71 - Azad Bharat @ 75 - Swarna KR, cultural programme, folk songs/ dance, **5.30 pm;** Sugama Sangeetha by Vid. Rakesh Iyer, Park in front of MLA S.A. Ramdas' home-office, Vidyaranyapuram, **6 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Akhila Karnataka Vokkaligara Mahasabha:** Teachers' Day celebrations, MLA L. Nagendra, Mahasabha Hon. President Dr. C.P. Krishna Kumar will felicitate retd. Mysore University VC Prof. K.S. Rangappa, retd. KAS Officer Dr. K.N. Chandrashekar, retd. Principal of Maharani's College K.P. Basavegowda, retd. Principal of Maharani's Arts College D. Annajigowda, Principal of MIT Tandavapura Dr. Y.T. Krishnegowda and State CET Topper H.K. Meghan; Mahasabha Founder-President N. Bettegowda and Gen. Secretary Dr. E.C. Nigarajegowda will be present, Hotel Kalyani, Hebbal Ring Road, **7.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPT. 30)

- **Mysuru City Corporation (MCC):** Healthy Week for MCC Under Ground Drainage (UGD) Department employees, First-Aid Training, Town Hall premises, **4 pm and 7 pm.**
- **Hastashilpi:** Silk India-2021, exhibition-cum-Sale of silk products from across the country, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **10.30 am to 8.30 pm.**
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'No Time To Die'

James Bond is Back... in 3D!

Come Sept. 30, the latest edition of James Bond ***'No Time To Die'*** releases to the big screens. Bond being a household name across the globe is expected to draw people into theatres again. For the first time in 57 years, Bond is in a new avatar: in 3D

All multiplexes in city are equipped to screen the 3D version while DRC is the only one to be able to project the 4k version of the movie in 3D. Coinciding with the 10th anniversary of DRC, this Bond movie would be a befitting entertainment to the movie buffs, says Vaishali of DRC.

"With COVID positivity rates falling below 1%, the Government has allowed 100% seating in theatres. This will go a long way in kickstarting the industry and to provide quality time to a population deprived of this form of entertainment for a long time," she said.

There will be a total of seven shows (including 3D and 2D) of 'No Time To Die' at DRC in Jayalakshmipura, Mysuru, on Screen 1 and 4 from tomorrow. While 3D shows will be screened at 10.35 am; 1.55 pm, 3.55 pm and 6.45 pm, 2D shows will be at 12.30 pm, 4.10 pm and 6.45 pm.

Also, INOX in Mall of Mysore on M.G. Road in city will be screening a total of five shows (three in 3D and two in 2D) of the movie.

Rajkamal Theatre on Vinoba Road in Shivarampet too will be screening four shows of the movie in 2D.

Kalamandira open to host events from October 1

Mysuru, Sept. 29- Karnataka Kalamandira, Mini Theatre, Maneyangala and Suchitra Art Gallery on Hunsur Road in city will be open for public use from Oct. 1 with strict adherence to COVID protocol.

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For details, contact Ph: 0821-2513225, according to a press release from the Kannada and Culture Assistant Director.

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